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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: (US Patent 7,238,689).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative discussed the ODP rejection of claim 1 over claim 18 of (US Patent 7,238,689) in view of Sievernich et al. Applicant's representative argued that Sievernich et al. does not suggest synergistic effects amongst all herbicide combinations. The Examiners acknowledged that synergy was not claimed. Applicant would consider amendments and arguments in response.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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